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1. ACCORDING TO NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR ABIOLA, BOTH PRESIDENT BONGO OF GABON AND PRESIDENT DA COSTA OF STP ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING ATTEND FESTAC, PRESUMABLY FOR OPENING CEREMONIES.

2. GABONESE HAVE TOLD OUR NIGERIAN COLLEAGUES THAT THEIR DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE FIVE MINISTERS, OVER TWENTY OTHER SENIOR GOG OFFICIALS, AND ESTIMATED 300 PERFORMING ARTISTS. SIZE OF STP CONTINGENT EVIDENTLY NOT YET DETERMINED.(

3. ABIOLA EXPECTS ACCOMPANY VISITING HEADS OF STATE TO LAGOS, AND HAS VOICED WISFUL HOPE THAT FMG WILL PROVIDE HIM ACCOMODATIONS WITH GABONESE DELEGATION SO HE WILL NOT HAVE TO SLEEP IN HOTEL LOBBY, STEIGMAN

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